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For : BUMPER SYSTEM WITH ENERGY ABSORBER

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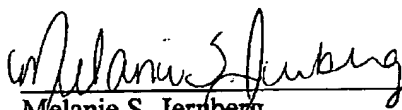
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Transmitted herewith is a response to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2004 in the above-identified application.

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RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action mailed October 29, 2004, Applicants respond as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.